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## As Dolls Dance, Sing, All Guys Whistle

When Shakerites eventually see "Guys and Dolls" they will witness the finished product that is taking almost five months to perfect.

All that goes behind the scenes is not tedious work, however. When Sunny Moss (General Cartwright) was absent from a rehearsal, Pete Brown took over her part. The cast never knew Pete had it in him!

Many of the rehearsals have turned into "food fests." During the first love scene between Sky and Sarah, Jacki Dostal (Sarah) was crunching as Peter Machamer (Sky) read his lines. The cause: a mouthful of potato chips.

However, the real "clowns" of the cast are Barry Gordon (Nathan) and Patty Murphy (Adelaide), who continually ad lib through their lines to the amusement of the rest of the cast. Though the script calls for five imagined children on the part of Adelaide, Patty has dreamed up ten rabbits!

To the delight of the male members of Choir, the Hot-Box Girls have been in diligent rehearsal. They perpetually bring a barrage of whistles everytime they perform, dancing and singing to "Bushel and a Peck" and "Take Back Your Mink."

The cast of "Guys and Dolls" is close off-stage as well as on, and consequently they have efficiently handled any problems that have arisen.

As each day goes by the show takes on a more definite shape, and "Guys and Dolls" promises to be one of the best musicals in the history of Shaker-Broadway entertainment.

## Ticket Sale Key To '59 Games

Just a few more hours remain for a character in "My Fair Lady," and for Shaker students, there are just a few more days left to sell someone a \$5 ticket for six football games. Monday, April 27, is the end of the advance football ticket sale.

The sale has the least effect on football and it is vital to the existence of cross-country, tennis, wrestling, swimming, golf, track, and baseball. Varsity sports are not supported by the Board of Education, so they must be self-sustaining. In the words of Fred Heinlen, director of athletics, the football ticket sale is "the lifeline for the varsity athletic program."

Mr. Heinlen maintains that our problem is "to generate a feeling on the part of every student that it is worthwhile to have a varsity program," with the result that every student tries to sell at least one ticket.

This year's goal is to sell 1200 of the \$5 passes, or about 20 per homeroom. Each ticket will admit its owner to Shaker's battles with South, Brush, Heights, Parma, Shaw, and Euclid. The class which sells the most tickets will receive a prize of \$50.

## Carson Again Attains Honor

"Youth of the Month" is the title awarded to Eric Carson by the Kiwanis Club of Cleveland. It was just one of the three honors he has recently received.

He also won \$150 for his theme "Hamlet, Holmes, and Humanism." This 1959 Scholastic Merit Award was presented to him by the Cleveland association, Phi Beta Kappa, at a dinner April 13, held in the Oak Room of the Hotel Carter. He had originally written the theme for his regular English class.

Because of his high aptitude in science and his school citizenship, Eric was chosen to be one of the six students from Northeast Ohio to attend a Youth Conference on the Atom. This meeting will be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on April 30 and May 1. Wayne French, Eric's science teacher, will go with him. At the meeting the delegates will discuss peaceful uses of atomic energy.



## Shaker Well Represented at Annual O.A.S.C. Conference Held in Columbus

White Hall Yearling High School in Columbus will play host this year to the Sixth Annual Conference of the Ohio Association of Student Councils.

The O.A.S.C. Conference, held at Shaker three years ago, will begin April 23, and will last through April 24. Steve Hrones, the president-elect of our Student Council, and Pat Connell, its secretary, are Shaker's two representatives this year. The two delegates and discussion leader Philip Weiss will be accompanied by Student Council advisor Richard Klyver.

This year's conference promises to be very interesting. Among the speakers are Woody Hayes, Ohio University football coach, and Gerald Van Pool, the president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals. "The Student Council in Action," a film of Shaker's Student Council at work, will also be shown at the

conference. Phil Weiss will talk on the subject "How Can We Sell the Student Council to the School and to the Community?"

It won't be all work and no play, though; a dance and an opening banquet are scheduled for the meeting.

The O.A.S.C. further helps the student councils of Ohio by sponsoring a week-long summer workshop on student council activities at Ohio University. This year, Shaker will send Russell Bishop as its representative.

## Co-ops Give Shaker End-of-Year Breath

Old Chinese proverb: "Late to bed and late to rise makes a man baggy under the eyes." Nevertheless Shakerites enjoyed their late-school schedule during cooperative tests, April 6-15. It was the first time this arrangement had been tried.

The co-ops, except Latin and German which began at 8:00, started at 8:30. Regular classes began at 9:30, except on April 15, since the science tests were a half-hour longer.

All class periods except fourth were shortened from fifty-five to forty-five minutes. The final bell rang at 3:35 each day.

Teachers seemed satisfied with the new system, as they were able to conduct their classes with less interruption than during past co-op seasons. The staff will soon vote on whether to continue the new system.

## Essays, Projects Win Top Awards

Several Shakerites have been winning top honors in the fields of math, science and business. Some wrote essays, others took tests, some made special projects, and one did all three.

Frank Yunger was second in the county in the boys' division of the essay contest sponsored by the Sales Executive Clubs and National Sales Executive, Inc. Carol Dupstadt was third in the girls' division. The topic of their essays was "Selling as a Professional Career—The Importance of Selling to Our Future Economy." Frank received \$50 and Carol was given \$20. They and Mrs. Crystal Gifford were guests at a luncheon April 13, at the Sheraton Cleveland Hotel.

Mary Lou Moore and Ken Perko made high scores in science and math tests. Mary Lou also had to prepare a report on "My Science Project" and fill in a personality sheet in order to be in the Honors Group in the 18th Annual Science Talent Search for Westinghouse Science Scholarships and Awards. Her project was "Predicting the Numbers of Isomers of Hydrocarbons of the Methane Series." Ken ranked second in the state in the 1959 Mathematics Contest for Secondary Schools of the United States and Canada. He missed being first in the state by one point. His paper is now being judged on a national level.

Honorable Mention and \$10 was awarded to Dave Herbold and Helen Falkenburg for their work in the Creative Chemistry Awards Contest sponsored by the Cleveland Section of the American Chemical Society. The contest was held at Case Institute on Saturday, March 21. Dave's project was called "The Effects of Various Salts on Bacteria." Helen's was "Classification of Minerals According to Their Composition and Crystal

Structure." Her work also won Honorable Mention at the Northeastern Ohio Science Fair.

Another proof of Shaker Heights High School's academic leadership was demonstrated recently. In the mathematics contest sponsored by the Mathematics Association of America, Shaker obtained the highest average rating in Ohio. The top three Shaker scorers were Ken Perko, Ronald Roth, and Mike Kelley. Ken Perko, a junior in the Honors Mathematics class, made a score of one point less than the top in the state. Quick-witted Ken made his fine score despite the fact that he arose from his sickbed in order to take the test. Over 6,000 high school students took the test in Ohio.

## Janet Laurie '59's Junior Prom Queen

Queen Janet, reigning over her melon and yellow-hued kingdom for one lovely evening, had a memorable time in Paris in the spring.

April in Paris was the theme of this year's Junior Prom, held on



April 11, in the girls' gym and Social Room. At this dance Janet Laurie was crowned Junior Prom Queen by Chuck Savoca, the president of the Junior Class.

The other beautiful candidates for queen, who made up the royal court, were Jeanie Davies, Lola Ham, Sally Heiser, and Bonnie Katovsky. These girls, carrying bouquets of flowers, were escorted across the floor by Bill Pearlman, Roger Aaron, Bob Waldo, and Jack Sander, respectively. The queen's escort was Larry Kahn.

Lola Ham, Junior Class secretary, was in charge of the committee which transformed the gym into a romantic Parisian wonderland and designed the flowered swing which served as Janet's throne.

Roger Aaron, vice-president of the Junior Class, headed the committee serving refreshments under the awning of a sidewalk cafe.

## ... NEWS BRIEFS ...

Shaker's Physics Department acquired the "new look" during the week of April 6. While teacher Wayne French was ailing with a case of the flu, physics students were taught by Andre Schwartz, an Amherst freshman who was home for Spring Vacation. Andy, who is the youngest teacher that Shaker has ever had, was graduated from Shaker with honors last June.

Responsible for the Shares' Club's annual show, "The New York Times," which was presented on the evening of April 17, were the following seniors: Ginny Inglis, president; Katy May, secretary; Sue Kenney, publicity; and Hilary Hartman, tickets. Miss Mary Ann Bamberger, who served as faculty adviser, supervised the show, which depicted life in New York. The solo performed by Ginny Inglis, and the duet which was enacted by Karen Cowan and Hilary Hartman, were two of the well-rehearsed acts that contributed to the evening's entertainment.

Upholding Shaker's high scholastic reputation at recent competitive science fairs were twenty-one Shakerites who received "superior" ratings at District Science Day, held at Kent State University on April 4. They were: James Hacker, Sherrin Horwitz, Ann Ciolek, Judith Locke, Bruce Dundon, Robert Gross, Philip Kranz, Gregory Levin, Stuart Hirsh, Jane Swartzberg, Linda Ritchey, Nancy Spoke, Barbara Katz, Jeff Epstein, Donna Schroeder, Marc Green, Peggy Crane, and Sue Burton, BIOLOGY; Dave Herbold, CHEMISTRY; Mary Lou Moore and Judy Hyman, PHYSICS.

National Metals Award Winners in the Future Scientists of America National Competition sponsored by the National Science Teachers' Association are Barbara Abel, Todd Fineburg, Donald Krause, and Susan Markiewicz. Each was awarded with a \$50 bond and a gold pin. A plaque on which are engraved the names of the winners was presented to Shaker High. Stephen Young received honorable mention in the competition.

Winner of first prize in his category in the Northeastern Ohio Science Fair, James Hacker walked off with the Navy Science Cruiser Award (a five-day cruise at sea in the fall) and \$100.



## Upset Stomach Inspires Dogpatch Calamities

"I was very hungry."

This was Al Capp's response when asked why he started to draw cartoons professionally. Capp, creator of "Li'l Abner," facetiously added that he became a cartoonist because he was too lazy to make an honest living.

"Li'l Abner," conceived by Capp twenty-five years ago, daily enralls fifty to sixty million readers, 90% of whom are teen-agers or older. "Only kids don't dig Abner," the cartoonist explained, "and I don't dig kids."

Capp definitely feels that cartoons are actually illustrated novels, and that cartooning has a place in literature. He went so far as to claim that the finest art being done today can be found on the comic pages of the nation's newspapers. "The artist, like anyone else, has something to sell, and he sells this commodity to the highest bidder. In the period of the Renaissance, the church was the highest bidder, and this is the reason that a large number of religious works were painted at this time. Today, the most money is found in the syndicated comic strip, and thus the finest artists of today are doing their work on the comic pages."

When asked why he writes about hillbillies, he bantered, "I write about hillbillies because they can't read, and therefore cannot sue me for what I say about them."

Capp remarked that he develops the ideas for his comic strips in advance, and often runs into difficulty getting Abner out of his predicaments. "Abner's future is filled with calamity and misfortune, for this is what the American people seem to want," he asserted. "I don't know where I get the ideas for the strip. But some-

### Cheerleader Hopefuls Practice for Try-Outs

Aspiring cheerleaders met four times in the Elbow Room during the past two weeks. These sessions were held to teach the cheers, jumps, and chants necessary for cheerleaders tryouts. Such cheers as Suzy Q, Rocket, and Team were taught.

To become a cheerleader, citizenship and average or better marks, as well as skill, are essential. Each girl who desired to become a member of the squad had to attend three of the four clinics.

Preliminary tryouts will be held Tuesday, May 12 and the finals on Tuesday, May 19.

By Don Stern



Al Capp surveys a self-portrait.

times these inspirations accompany a bad upset stomach."

Capp concluded, "If I have any message at all in my strip, it is this: people should try harder to be nicer to each other."



## Heap-of-the-Month

By Lowe and Haskell

Aletia, an automotive wonder presently owned by Katie Glick, and soon to be claimed by the highest bidding junk dealer, resides with Katie and her family at 17426 Berwyn Road.

"Born" more than twelve years ago at the Dodge factory, Aletia once represented high fashion. How times have changed! It was not until last year, however, that she barged in on the Glicks. Her life has been unusually eventful since then because of her rapid deterioration, and we do mean rapid!

Take, for instance, the time that Katie carefully closed Aletia's windows in case of a storm, only to return after school to find a snow-filled car. Well, windows get tired, too, and this is one case in which Geritol won't do any good.

Another day, Katie got stuck in the bushes lining her driveway, and could not understand why everyone laughed as she drove by. She stopped and was surprised to discover a tree growing out of the trunk.

Occasionally lucky enough to find a good parking space, Katie usually has to move anyway because of Aletia's interesting habit of "rolling in her sleep," maybe because she lacks an emergency brake.

This is just a sample of Aletia's action-packed history. Although she is old and run-down, she will always be with us, for, as Katie says, "Old motors never die, they just fade away."

## Y-Teens Active In Services, Fun

"3-D" is coming to Shaker Heights High at last! Yes, the "3-D" (Dad - Daughter - Dessert) is being given by the sophomore, junior, and senior Y-Teen chapters for Y-Teens and their fathers tonight in the cafeteria.

Casma Gregory and Evelyn Kuhn are co-chairmen of the planning committee for the "3-D." Mary Restifo is in charge of invitations, Linda Nocar of decorations, and Meredith Spencer of refreshments. Carolyn Blake, Nancy Buxbaum, and Sue Getzen-danner have been planning the entertainment.

This spring the Chapter made and sent valentines to a Cleveland orphanage. Seniors decorated plastic Easter eggs and sent baskets containing these and bars of scented soap to a home for the aged. Candy baskets, cookies, and Easter eggs were given to the children at Karamu Nursery when the sophomores gave them an Easter party.

## Humor in a Green Vein

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### IF YOU WANT TO

1. Get an education.
2. Hear the Alma Mater.
3. Put more fun in your life.
4. Discuss invertebrate paleontology.
5. Get fat.
6. Be appreciated.
7. Know thyself.
8. Be amused by this column.
9. Learn to ski.
10. Win the Purple Heart.
11. Get away from it all.
12. Tell us this is a wretched column.

### GO TO

1. Any extreme to cure yourself.
2. The band room at 8:30 a.m. They won't play the Alma Mater, but you won't know the difference.
3. Your locker, step in—and try dancing.
4. The Moon. Ask for Mann and Otto.
5. Boucair's.
6. Taylorsville, Illinois; stand on top of the statue of General Taylor and throw peanuts. The pigeons will appreciate you.
7. One of those regular gatherings for talking about you behind your back.
8. The first line and start reading upside-down while stroking your instep with a feather.
9. The school elevator and press the button marked 'Fifth Floor'.
10. A matrimonial bureau, department of Purple People Eaters.
11. The Dalai Lama, who will understand.
12. -x- censored -x-

## Inside Fairyland

By Stanley Ornstein

Ever striving to serve its readers, the *Shakerite* reaches a new low in public service with this on-the-spot report from Fairyland, locale of many of the English Department's required novels. "An expression of student opinion" sent in its official muckraker in order to get the lowdown on this famed land. The following are a few select quotes from our reporter's dispatches.

I caught the 7:02 for Fairyland and arrived in less than four years. A huge crowd was gathered at the station to meet me, and I was immediately escorted to the palace of Old King Cole.

The King looked very distraught and worried. Upon further questioning I learned that the entire court was on pins and needles awaiting news of their latest moon shot. Fairyland's best men were concentrated on this one objective. I asked if I could go out to the launching pad and was told that the experiment was being conducted in the palace gardens. Running out to the garden, I was sorely disappointed to find a thin black cat practicing the fiddle. Suddenly there was a loud roar, and I looked upward to behold an object headed straight for the moon which strongly resembled a cow. I was amazed. The U.S. has been fiddling around for years, and they still have not reached the moon!

Despite the fact that Fairyland civilization is so scientifically advanced, there still exist many unsolved social problems. The housing problem is atrocious. I discovered a penniless old woman with a huge family living in an

abandoned shoe and found an ambitious young man named Peter who was forced to live in a pumpkin.

It is not even safe to walk the streets at night. Crime and violence are everywhere. A seemingly innocent clock struck One, and a merciless, demented farmer's wife cut off the tails of three blind mice in a murder attempt.

The prices here are fantastically high. Eggs are so valuable, that when one broke, all the king's horses and all the king's men tried to put it together again. Wool is so scarce that even the shaggy coats of black sheep are being bargained for.

The roads are in very bad condition. A certain Doctor Foster on his way to Gloucester stepped in a puddle up to his middle.

Just before I left, I decided to take a gander at the private life of Mother Goose. It is with uncontrollable excitement that I report that Mother Goose is the biggest hoax of our time—she has never had any children! I believe she picked up the handle "Mother" as a gun moll for that plum dangerous outlaw, Little Jack Horner. Jack and Jill went up the hill;

Each one had a quarter. They spent it all on frosty Cokes. Who would pay for water?

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## Popular Teacher Makes U.S. History Live for Students

By Linda Blondin

"Well, fellows, I am rather tired today," he says, reclining against the bookcase. Perhaps today's lesson is about the battle of Quebec. As he talks, the excitement enralls him. He leaps to his feet and with flailing arms and battle cries he relives the fury of the historic battle.

This same bloody battlefield was, but a few days before, the deck of the "Santa Maria" when Columbus's sailors, weak and weary, sighted the New World. The man behind these histrionics is a serious teacher who makes his subject live for his students. Joseph Szwaja says that his theory of teaching history is to make it a living, vital thing.

Mr. Szwaja was born in Wallington, New Jersey in 19—. To his students he is a perennial twenty-two, and on February 14 they helped him celebrate his birthday with a cake, a confederate five hundred-dollar bill, and a box filled with small toys.

As a freshman in high school, Mr. Szwaja studied European history. The teacher told him that he would flunk the course because his writing was illegible. After Mr. Szwaja interpreted for him, the teacher changed his mind. Now his students complain about his writing. He joined a club called the Phi Beta Scabs, an intellectual and anti-girl fraternity. He went out for track and earned his let-

ter, and in his senior year, Mr. Szwaja was elected class president and was valedictorian.

One of his vivid memories of high school years involves his initiation into the National Honor Society. It was an august, serious ceremony in which the old members passed on the sacred torch to the new members. When he stepped up to the platform he tripped.

After high school, he spent two years in the Marines. While at boot camp, he recalls that for not standing strictly at attention he was made to swab the floor of his commanding officer's cabin with a toothbrush.

Then he went to Oberlin where he majored in history. There he met Nancy Bills and they were married the day after graduation. The Szwajas now have two children, Lynn Alice, and Joseph Brian.

Mr. Szwaja got a job at Oberlin High School in the Social Studies Department while he continued to work for his Master's degree. He came to Shaker two years ago.

## Cheery Cafeteria Cook Will End Long Service

By Gayle Henkin

Dressed in a crisp white uniform and flashing a cheery smile, Mrs. Katherine Alexander has greeted Shakerites daily with a happy word and a delicious meal.

In 1929 Mrs. Alexander left behind her eight years with The Cleveland Trust Company to join the cooking staff at Shaker as chief meal cook. After 30 years under Mrs. Mary Straine, then Mrs. Esmeralda Fullerton and now Miss Alice Barnes, she will retire in June.

A very lengthy process, preparation of the noon meal begins at 7:30 a.m. At 11:30 a.m. serving is started and continues to 1:15 p.m. when cleanup, which takes nearly two hours, is begun.

As the food is prepared each cook uses her talents in one special department. Mrs. Alexander makes sauces, gravies, and meat dishes while Mrs. Willa Jackson prepares vegetables with the aid of Mrs. Nell Taylor and Mrs. Dorothy Williams.

Mrs. Alexander knows that hamburgers and spaghetti are most students' favorite foods. She says that little variation in recipes occurs unless it is absolutely necessary, for students prefer simple foods.

One big factor in food preparation is eye appeal. Mrs. Alexander states, "People will not buy something which looks bad no matter what it will taste like."

Mrs. Alexander has enjoyed her years at Shaker, not only because she likes to cook, but also because she has had the opportunity to meet many new people.



Mrs. Alexander relaxes after 30 years' service to Shaker High.

## Juniors Model Fashions For Y-Teens, Mothers

Junior Y-Teens invite all Y-Teens and their mothers to an afternoon of fun and fashions on Wednesday, May 13.

The style show will feature spring and summer fashions from Halle's, and it will commence at 4:00 p.m. in the girls' gym. The clothes will be modeled by the following junior Y-Teen members: Linda Alexander, Martha Beuret, Carol Ann Drabik, Betsy Gould, Barbara Harris, Julie Harston, Marilyn Hartman, Bonnie Katovsky, Patty Kelly, Julie Kovachy, Merrily Walters, and Barbara Wedow.

The general chairmen of the affair are Busy Boorse and Joan Lipton. Other committee chairmen are Sandy Sharkey, program; Betty Wade, models; Shirley Little, refreshments; Debby Locke, decorations; Jane Shack, invitations; and Joyce Hemmons and Karen Case, publicity.

## Girls' Sports Spark

By Nancy Stark

Efforts of a year's hard work were culminated on April 18, as the Shares' Club produced its annual Pageant before an overflowing balcony. Congratulations certainly go to the members of the Shares' Club, who reproduced New York with vigor and imagination.

The Girls' Leaders Club chose to contribute octapi sewed by the girls to the Mather Day Nursery.

As their spring service project, the Girls' Swimming Leaders Club invited the orphans from Beechbrook to attend a swim and snack party at the Shaker pool.

With the advent of spring, the sports schedule again changed. The annual badminton tournament began last week, and the fencing tournament will begin next week.

## Kathy's Kaldron

Co-op time is over, spring is drawing near.

All know what that means—college replies soon to fear.

Several seniors are still scratching their heads in amazement. It seems that no matter how or where one parks one's car, on returning one will always run the risk of finding a few dents and scratches. This still does not justify the nicks and scuff marks found on some of the tops (no less) of autos parked in the senior parking lot two weeks ago.

A group of senior boys recently petitioned the Student Council with a charter for a new club. This organization, to be known as the Map Club, will have Mr. Meshenberg as its teacher sponsor.

Tom Webb is about as progressive as Otto von Bismarck. . . . However, dissenting opinions are necessary to keep democracy alive. . . . there are two sides to every argument, etc., etc.

Barb Margulis finds facets of her Gristmill career a bit embarrassing.

Why Mothers Turn Grey-Depl.

Lee Sanson's true personality was revealed to all who attended the surprise party given by their parents for the twins. All were tensely grouped in the dining room while Lee carried on a verbal battle with her mother—it took fifteen minutes to entice the twosome to come downstairs. P.S. They were surprised.

Ha! Ha! We notice with glee that the people recently returned from points south are all peeling famously.

### Question Time:

Many people can be identified by the expressions which they commonly use. Here are a few posers.

1. "Pssst"
2. "You know it's true"
3. "I hear the Browns lost"
4. (in reply to No. 3) "I hear your father wasn't insured"
5. "Have you seen Charlie's Gas Station?"
6. "We've got to get organized"
7. "Teddy"

### Answers:

1. Myra Newman, 2. Glenn Golenberg (and numerous other senior boys); 3. Mike Wolland, 4. Vic Ippolito, 5. Ann Bloomberg; 6. Nina White; 7. Diane Mapes.

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## The Spectator

By Larry Kahn

Shaker High's baseball squad will have to come up with a few surprises if it expects to make even the smallest noise in the Lake Erie League this season.

There are certain prominent features of Heinlen's 1958 team that do not hint at an especially successful record. Although they do not seem to be unskillful glovemen, the team doesn't have a great deal of hitting talent. A team of "all field, no hit" players is not the kind of team to threaten the defending champion Euclid Panthers.

However, the group is made up of many promising sophomores and juniors who will surely gain valuable experience this season, a fact which speaks well for the future squads.

Ken Lapine, a left field fly-chaser, shows considerable promise with the bat already, and he is a junior. Also, juniors Bo Schneider and Roger Klein will be seeing a lot of action on the mound for the Raiders.

The golf team has not lost even a point so far this season, as they boast shutouts over Orange, Euclid, and Cathedral Latin.

Among the linksters, two boys have proved themselves unusually skillful in the nasty weather of the early spring—Earl Weiss, and Grant Kloppman. These two play spring golf as if they learned the game in Alaska. Cold hands and unmanicured courses do not seem to bother them a bit. By the time the remainder of the team find their games, the Raiders ought to have a foursome that will dominate the State Meet again this year. And if you don't believe it, ask Ed Stoch; he'll tell you!

### Stoch's Swatters Seek State Title

Unbeaten, untied, and unscored upon adequately describe the Red Raider golf team through its first three matches. Sparked by Grant Kloppman, a member of last year's state champions, the golfers have blanked Euclid, Cathedral Latin, and Orange.

About Grant, Coach Ed Stoch said, "We believe that he will be one of the better high school golfers in the state this year."

The team's opening match this year was a nine-hole contest with Euclid. The Red Raiders swept all five individual matches, 15-0, as Earl Weiss shot 38, Grant Kloppman, 39; Marty Spiegle, 41; Captain Larry Kahn, 43, and Dick Leukart, 45.

Shaker blanked Cathedral Latin, 12-0, in the second contest which featured a low score of 77 turned in by Grant Kloppman and a pair of 80's carded by Earl Weiss and Dick Abrams. Larry Kahn's score was high for the day.

A school record of 307 for low team score was set in the third match against Orange on April 13. Grant Kloppman and Earl Weiss each shot 74, Dick Leukart was a close second with 76, and Larry Kahn carded an 83.

Leading candidates for the eight golf letters include Chuck Bailin, Mark Bonhard, Marc Greenbaum, Tom Stone, and Jeff Wuliger in addition to the six participants in the first three matches.

"If we gain enough experience during the season," Coach Stoch commented, "we should be as good as we were at the end of last season."

### Crack Raider Net Team Set for Title Defense

By Andy Krottinger

Shaker High School is beginning to prepare for its second tennis season of the school year and one which Mr. Pickering predicts will be highly successful.

Last fall, as the top-seeded team in the Cleveland High School League, the Raiders enjoyed a successful 5-0 record. With such players returning as Warren Daane, a top-ranking national player, Al Ganim, Pete Gibbon, Dick Morris, Jim Goetz, Steve Hrones, and Tom Shirreffs, an equally victorious spring season should be coming up.

Most of these boys have been playing tennis all winter, at least once a week. The Raiders are very serious, persistent tennis players, and work hard at the sport. Mr. Pickering commented that when boys are serious about their tennis and practice continually, they can't help but have an outstanding team.

Seven scheduled matches face the champs this spring, including some with independent schools such as University School. Shaker's tennis team is outstanding. Shakerites who support the team will, at the same time, enjoy some of the best high school tennis to be seen anywhere.

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Contrary to their pre-season performance, the Raiders blasted the Benedictine Bengals with 10 hits to capture their opening game, 8-6.

### Good Field, No Hit Characterize '59 Baseball Practice Sessions

Boasting a strong fielding team, but lacking batting depth, the Shaker High School baseball team begins its 1959 season.

To get a good start for the season, about forty varsity squad potentials worked out in the boys' gym tossing baseballs back and forth, batting, and running, until the weather was good enough to work outside.

The boys, who worked out after school were those Coach Fred Heinlen saw play either on the team last year or sophomores who played Class E last summer. Because of the limited gym space, only forty boys were asked out.

The invitation to work out after school did not mean a position on the team. Now that the weather is good enough to practice outside, cuts are being made from the boys who worked out in the gym, and from players who have just come out.

Since the baseball squad usually carries only about twenty-five players, competition for the different positions is keen. Last year the team graduated many seniors playing down the middle—pitchers, catchers, and shortstops—so the team could possibly be made up mostly of juniors and sophomores.

The only positions that have been pretty well decided are first base, manned by team captain Ralph Karlovac, and left field, won by Kenny Lapine.

With no lettermen returning to the pitcher's spot, Coach Heinlen is watching a good number of sophomore, junior, and senior pitchers to find a few on whom he

can depend. Bo Schneider and Roger Klein will probably see a lot of action.

Dick Johns and Harley Kravitz are strong candidates for second base, according to Coach Heinlen, and Dennis Reimer and Arnie Krause are powerful aspirants for third. Among the more promising competitors for shortstop is sophomore Kenny Korach.

Mark Fishman, Tony Piazza, Paul Bloch, and Bill Schweller are strong contenders for positions in the outfield. Coach Heinlen is looking for strong hitters to play the outfield positions. Bill Rupp and Roger Baden will probably do most of the catching this year.

The baseball team will play a schedule of nineteen games. In predicting the team's probable record, Heinlen stated that the boys are really putting out in practices; and if they don't win all their games, it won't be because of a lack of enthusiasm.

## Ricemen Win; Set New Mark

Bob Rice's varsity trackmen, having turned in many fine performances early in the season, appear to be on the way to a colorful and successful season.

The Raiders performed admirably at the Greater Cleveland Indoor track meet at the Arena on April 1. The one-half mile relay team of Joe Johnson, Pete Schliwen, Bill Gross, and John Foster won honors by setting a new record for the meet. Vic Ippolito also made a fine showing by securing first place in the high jump and taking a fourth in the 50-yard dash.

Adding to Shaker's accomplishments at the Arena were Dick Balazs who took fourth place in the hurdles, Jeff Wynn who gained a third in the 440, and the two mile relay team of Matt Hatchadorian, Chuck Pitcock, and Tom Bergin which won fourth place.

On April 10 the varsity held its first outdoor meet of the season when they played host to Shaw. The Raiders proved to be just as effective out in the brisk spring air as they were in their previous indoor meets, for they decisively swamped the Shaw team.

Something new in track competition was initiated this spring by Coach Rice. The Raiders are running meets with Wakefield High of Arlington, Virginia via the U.S. mail.

It all started when Rice and Wakefield's coach attended the White House Conference on Physical Fitness. They discussed the exploits of their teams and decided to mail each other the results of certain meets for a little friendly competition. By the way, Wakefield should prove to be a worthy opponent as they have never finished lower than third in Virginia meets.

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